

UNWRITTEN LAW TO BE WRITTEN BY ALEXANDRIAN

Senator Machen Has Bill
"To Protect Home"
Nearly Prepared.

RICHMOND, Va., June 1.—Senator Louis H. Machen, of Alexandria, has almost prepared and will submit to the next session of the Virginia General Assembly a bill calculated to incorporate among the statutes of Virginia the so-called "unwritten law."

Senator Machen's reasons for submitting such a bill are manifold. It is a well-established fact that a Virginia jury will not convict a man for the taking of human life, if that life is taken in defense of the home. Senator Machen asks the question, Why, if this is so, a man should be forced openly to violate his oath, with the tacit sanction of the presiding jurist? It is held by the senator that if a man is justified in the taking of human life under certain prescribed circumstances, that fact should be incorporated among the laws of the State, and thus jurists be given license to exercise a proper discretion in rendering a verdict, without the necessity of winking at the Constitution and circling around their own oaths. Why not, then, says Senator Machen, legalize the "unwritten law," since it is already recognized as a factor in the trial of such cases in every court in the State?

Senator Machen cites the recent trial at Culpeper, this State, when the Strother brothers were tried for their lives for the murder of William F. Bywaters, whom they shot to death one hour after they had forced him to wed their young sister, Viola, whom he had previously ruined.

The vindication of the brothers of any wrongdoing met the approval of the vast majority of the people of the State, the senator thinks, but there is no statute among the Virginia laws that absolutely justifies a man for the taking of human life, and Senator Machen believes that in cases similar to the Culpeper tragedy such a law is a necessity.

STRANGLER TO DEATH IN FIT OF COUGHING

WELLINGTON, Kan., June 1.—Mrs. Nancy M. Washington, aged seventy-four years, died suddenly, strangling to death in a spell of coughing. Her husband, recently deceased, was a lineal descendant of Bushrod Washington, half-brother of the first President.

Graduates Will Appreciate
the beautiful Commencement Bouquets and floral pieces executed by Gude, 1214 F.

Tests Show Pollution In 31 Shallow Wells

Report to Commissioners Whose Sanitary Policy Is Opposed Is Warning of Danger.

In defense of the position of the Board of Commissioners in its announced purpose to close the shallow wells in the city, which has been so vigorously contested in a number of instances and in reference to which the Commissioners have decided to hold a public hearing, Commissioner Macfarland late yesterday had prepared an abstract of that portion of the report of the United States Public Health and Marine Hospital Service, of date of March 2, 1907, relating to the question.

There are eleven protests on file against the closing of the wells. The Public Health and Marine Hospital Service and the District chemists are preparing chemical and bacteriological reports on the waters of these wells that will be submitted at the public hearing. The report of the United States Public Health and Marine Hospital Service follows:

"The waters of the shallow wells have frequently been regarded as a means of conveying the infection of typhoid fever, and as there are sixty-three shallow wells in the District of Columbia, used by the public, we have made a particular study of this phase of the subject."

"Of the sixty-three shallow wells now used by the public, thirty-one show indications of sewer pollution, twenty-nine are waters of suspicious character, and only three show no evidence of pollution."

"It was found, further, that most of the wells with broken pumps and leaky platforms, permitting surface contamination, often disclosed this condition by the laboratory analyses."

"It is evident that a densely inhabited area with miles of sewers, some of them doubtless broken or leaky, must produce a more or less polluted condition of the soil, rendering the ground water unfit for drinking purposes. On general sanitary principles alone, shallow wells have been eliminated from all large cities having an abundant water supply and sewerage system. We unhesitatingly subscribe to this view and believe that the shallow wells in the District of Columbia should be abandoned, a conviction that is abundantly confirmed by the results of our chemical and bacteriological examinations."

PLANS NO INJURY TO MILK DEALERS

Col. W. C. Haskell, Sealer of Weights and Measures, says that a misapprehension prevails in some quarters regarding the purpose of his office to inspect and stamp milk cans used in the transportation of milk and for delivery of milk in bulk. He says it has been complained to him that if the Sealer of Weights and Measures intends to condemn and have destroyed all cans that are not of standard capacity, such a course would be an injustice to owners of the cans who have been at great expense to purchase them.

Colonel Haskell says no such intention exists. Inspectors will test all cans as to their capacity, and each can inspected will be officially marked with a steel die, showing just what the can will hold. If it is a standard five or ten gallon can it will be so stamped. If short, any fraction of a gallon, or if capable of carrying any amount over the standard capacity, it will be so marked.

The inspection of cans is now in progress.

BRIDGE AT AUCTION IS SOLD FOR \$1,300

Woodley Lane Bridge, which spans Rock Creek where the Connecticut Avenue Bridge crosses the Rock Creek ravine, was the subject of some remarkable bidding yesterday by a number of junk dealers.

The new Connecticut Avenue Bridge will take the place of the Woodley Lane Bridge, which is to be torn down. It was offered as junk with the provision that it be dismantled and removed at once. The old bridge is directly under the new structure.

From the great difference in the bids made for the old bridge it was evident that there was no pooling of interests, as bids ran from \$50 to \$1,300, the last named being made by Ben Einstein, of 301 Tenth street northwest. Einstein will become its owner.

Bids were opened yesterday to supply the District Fire Department with hosiery. The bidders were S. Benninger, at \$27.50, and Joseph Kaufman & Son, at \$28.00.

\$5.65 to Atlantic City and Return, Baltimore & Ohio, May 31 to June 4. Valid for return until June 10, and may be extended to June 15 upon payment of fee of \$1.00. Consult agents for time of trains.

Ice Cream That Is Best.
C. & S. Pure Velvet Kind. Druggists'.

RECTORY RIFLED; WOMEN DRUGGED; DIAMONDS GONE

Preacher's Wife and
Guests Chloroformed
by Norfolk Thief.

NORFOLK, Va., June 1.—Thieves entered the rectory of the Rev. Dr. W. A. Barr, of St. Luke's Episcopal Church, chloroformed the clergyman's wife, her brother, Frank Stringfellow, a young lady visitor, and her aged aunt, all sleeping in the house and then rifled it of \$300 in cash, diamond rings and valuable jewelry.

This is the fourth time in a comparatively short period that St. Luke's rectory has been looted.

The rector, the Rev. Dr. W. A. Barr, who has just accepted a call to Lynchburg, Va., was away attending the annual session of the council of the diocese of Southern Virginia, at Staunton, before going on to Lynchburg today.

Rifles Packed Trunk.

Mrs. Barr was in the house with her brother and the two women guests. Her plans were to leave today for Lynchburg, her future home.

The thieves, who, it is supposed, entered the house some time between 2 and 4 o'clock this morning, drugged the sleeping occupants while they rifled Mrs. Barr's packed trunk and got away with \$300 in cash just taken out of the bank yesterday, three valuable diamond rings and several hundred dollars' worth of other jewelry which Mrs. Barr had near her bed.

The only jewelry saved was that worn by the young woman occupying the room with the rector's wife.

A check for \$200, the first payment made by the lessee of the Barr cottage at Virginia Beach, was likewise taken.

Church Silver Saved.

Mrs. Barr had only yesterday placed in a bank vault valuable church silver. The thieves entered by a pass key in the kitchen, and after going through every room in the house went out through the front door, leaving this open.

There is no clue as yet.

The family were late in waking this morning and when they did so found themselves stripped from the effects of the drug used by the thieves.

TREASURY SURPLUS \$65,499,723 SATURDAY

The surplus in the United States Treasury Saturday, the opening of the last month of the fiscal year, was \$65,499,723. For many the receipts exceeded the expenditures by within a few dollars of \$9,000,000.

New Scandals Arise From Inquiry Into Pennsylvania Capitol

Specifications Alleged to
Have Been Violated.

HARRISBURG, Pa., June 1.—Reports of the expert employees of the Capitol Investigation Commission to investigate the expenditure of \$12,000,000 in the building and furnishing of the new capitol, show that the specifications have been violated, cheaper materials substituted, and many flagrant duplications placed in the building.

Charles F. Barker, an expert on granite, declared that in some places two and three pieces were used instead of single blocks.

Stones marked as one on plans, he said, were in as many as seven pieces. The sixteen eagles marked on the drawing

Shows the
Difference.

| | Cost. | Price. |
|--------------------|-------|--------|
| Fountain..... | \$175 | \$320 |
| Marble mantle..... | \$320 | \$674 |

lugs are absent from the dome for the front of the building.

W. Scott Collins, the commission's architectural expert, showed that the capitol commission was lax in its conduct in allowing the placing of \$9,000,000 in the building in the shape of trimmings. The most staggering profits yet admitted in the inquiry were shown in the marble contracts of "Trimmer" Sanderson.

PERMIT IS ISSUED FOR MASONIC TEMPLE

Building Inspector Snowden Ashford issued a permit yesterday afternoon to the Masonic Temple Association of Washington for the erection of the new Masonic Temple, to be located at 902 Thirteenth street northwest, at an estimated cost of \$400,000. Wood, Donn & Deming are named as the architects, and the Thomas Starrett Company as contractors.

The building will occupy the western half of the triangle formed by Thirteenth street, New York avenue, Twelfth street, and H street.

CONFEDERATE ASSOCIATION PLANS FOR A BUILDING

The Confederate Memorial Association has been incorporated in this city. Its purpose is the perpetuation of the memory of the South's civil war heroes. The association proposes to erect a building as a meeting place for the various Confederate societies of the city.

EASTERN STAR CLUB'S TRIP TO CHESAPEAKE BEACH

The Eastern Star Pleasure Club held its first outing of the season at Chesapeake Beach Thursday. A special car was chartered for the members of the club. Haley's Band was engaged to play on the car, and gave a pleasing program. The occasion marked the third anniversary of the club.

Commencement Days Are Here,
For flowers go to Shaffer, 11th & L.

ROUPE TO PLACATE FRANCE ON TARIFF

Commercial Differences
Will Be Settled at
Once.

With the commercial treaty between the United States and Germany ready for operation July 1, under the President's proclamation made public yesterday, Secretary of State Root has taken up the formal discussion with the French ambassador of the commercial differences which have developed between that country and this.

Although it may be that jealousy has prompted these demands, the State Department desires to avoid such a tariff war as was threatened by Germany. A formal conference has been held and others will follow. It is said that some progress has been made and it is believed that the differences can be worked out without a great deal of trouble. Such a treaty as can be entered into will not include china importations, but must be confined to argols, wine lees and sparkling wines.

DUTCH NAVY OFFICERS TO PAY VISIT HERE

W. A. Royards, secretary, and L. L. van den Bergh, attaché, of the Netherlands legation, left last night for Port Monroe to meet the Dutch squadron of cruisers on their arrival from Rotterdam in Hampton Roads today. They will formally welcome Admiral van Asbeck, commander of the squadron, and the officers of his ships, and, escorted by officers of the Atlantic fleet, they will accompany the visitors here tomorrow for a period of entertainment. The Dutch officers, together with several European diplomats and naval attaches, will be entertained at luncheon at the White House Tuesday, and Jonker R. de Mareva van Swinderen, the minister from The Hague, will give a dinner in their honor at the legation Tuesday night.

ARREST JOSEPH EVANS TO TEST FISHING LAW

Joseph Evans was arrested and taken before the Police Court for what is understood to be a test case of the new fishing regulations.

Evans was arrested while fishing with a seine on the Virginia side of the river. It will be claimed that the District authorities had no jurisdiction over him. The case will be tried some time next week.

Baltimore and Return, \$1.25, Baltimore & Ohio R. R. Every Saturday and Sunday. All trains both ways, both days, except Royal Limited. City offices 1417 G st. and 612 Penna. ave.

GREAT CUT-GLASS SALE AT SAVINGS OF ONE-HALF AND MORE BEGINS TOMORROW

7⁷/₈ c yd.
for

12¹/₂ c printed
lawns

Think of it. This season's
lawn, in pretty patterns at
such a price.
These lawns are mostly in
white grounds with colored
polka dots, rings, dashes, and
floral patterns.
Absolutely fast colors, and
good value at regular price of
25c.
Choice of any in this lot to-
morrow at 7⁷/₈ c yd.

First Floor—
Dress Goods Section.

Silks

Genuine and unusual
reductions on sea-
sonable summer silks

Following our usual custom of car-
rying nothing from season to season,
we have made sweeping reductions on
these goods, and they are bargains
such as are seldom offered. This is
due largely to the extraordinary weather
conditions of the last two months.
This is the time when silks of this
character are most wanted, and all
splendid values to be offered at such
remarkable price reductions. You can-
not do better than to select from these
lots.

21 and 24-inch All-silk Foulards, in
a very good assortment of colors and
styles, former selling prices, 50c
and 59c a yard. Reduced to, a yard, 33c

24-inch Foulards in a good range of
colors; plenty of blue ground and
white dot effects, light grounds with
figures and stripes; and in this lot are
many of Cheney Bros.' famous spot-
proof foulards. Former prices,
75c and \$1.00 a yard. Reduced
to, a yard, 59c

36-inch All-silk Natural Pongee. We
call particular attention to the width,
and the color. This is a most
ideal silk for wear right now and all
through the summer, and will make
one of the most useful gowns
imaginable. Regular price, a
yard, 89c. Reduced to, a yard, 69c

36-inch White Washable Habutai.
This silk will launder like a muslin;
just the material for pretty summer
waists and dresses; an ex-
ceptional value at 69c. Very 49c
special at, a yard.

27-inch Silk and Linen Natural Pon-
gee, in both plain and small jacquard
effects. This material will launder and
retain its luster. A fabric we
have been selling at this sea-
son at, a yard, 39c. To close at

Wash goods

Foulard patterns, in
50c Tokio silk,
selling at
29c yd

The silk foulard patterns in this Tokio Silk
"look" wonderfully well, but we had a larger
quantity of this style than any other, so another
chance is offered tomorrow to buy.

ONLY 100 PIECES LEFT, and with the great
demand there will be for this fabric tomorrow,
it'll not last long.

Foulard patterns are the best kind for making ser-
viceable summer dresses for wear at the seashore or
mountains. They'll make up into the prettiest kind of
suspender or jumper costumes.

Ground work of navy blue, black, and white, with
ring, polka dots, and floral patterns.

Really a wonderful bargain at the price—29c a yard.

Golf suitings, 15c yd

Likainen, 12¹/₂ c yd

GOLF SUITINGS—the
fabric that looks like
wool and will wear as
good. Thoroughly shrunken
and fast colors. Mostly
cream grounds, with
black or gray lines. A
yard, 15c.

The best fabric of its
kind for making women's
suits and for children's
garments. Shown in col-
ors of red, blue, and
black, with printings in
ring, dot, check, broken
plaids, and others on
white grounds. Thorough-
ly shrunken. Worth 15c
a yard, for 12¹/₂ c.

First Floor—S. Kann,
Sons & Co.

59c Sicilian
mohair,
at, a yd., 49c

Sicilian-Mohair is a splendid fabric for making
up separate skirts or suits for traveling wear or
for wear in the city, at the mountains or seashore.
There are few women who consider their wardrobe
complete without a suit or skirt of this fabric.

Tomorrow is a good chance to buy the Sicilian-Mo-
hair. We shall offer the 29c quality, in white, at
49c a yd. As a leader Monday, at 49c.
The very low price of a yd., at 49c.

We've a grade of 38-in. Mohair in navy blue, royal
blue, brown, and black, that is a splendid quality for
the making of bathing suits and ought to sell
at 49c a yd., for 39c.

Black dress goods

A lot of Black Dress Goods, such as Panamas,
Serges, and Batistes, 38-in. wide and usually
sell at 59c a yd. As a leader Monday, at 45c.

Cream dress goods

38-in. All-wool Cream Serge, a yd. 55c

38-in. All-wool Cream Batiste, a yd. 45c

38-in. All-wool Cream Panama, a yd. 40c

1st floor—Dress Goods Arcade.

S. KANN & SONS & CO

8th St. & PA. AVE.
"THE BUSY CORNER"

Again we can offer
45-inch white
French lawn
at 12¹/₂ c yd.

We were very much delighted when a chance came our way last week
to secure another lot of this Sheer White French Lawn to sell at 12¹/₂ c a yd.
The last lot lasted but a few days, and it would not have lasted that long
had the weather been good. Do not take any chances. Come Monday and
buy all of this White French Lawn you'll require for all summer. It is
a most amazing bargain. It is a sheer fine white fabric. The usual price
of this grade would be 25c a yd. You save half usual price by buying
Monday.

HIGHLY MERCERIZED BA-
TISTE of which we have only a lim-
ited quantity to sell at this ridicu-
lously low prices:

38-in. wide, worth 20c a yd. 12¹/₂ c
yd., for.....

38-in. wide, worth 29c a yd. 16c
yd., for.....

SHEER PERSIAN LAWN, 38-in.
wide and a grade that usually
sells at 15c a yd., for..... 11¹/₂ c

KINE CHAMOIS FINISH EN-
GLISH LONG CLOTH, 12-yd. pieces.
Worth \$1.50 a piece. Mon-
day only..... \$1.29

SHEER INDIA LINON, 40-in.
wide, made from combed
yarn and worth 25c a yd., for..... 15c

LINEN FINISH PERCALE, 38-
in. wide and worth 20c a
yd. Special tomorrow at..... 12¹/₂ c

1st floor—S. Kann, Sons & Co.

White
Waists,
Usual
\$1.25 and
\$1.50
Kinds
Tomorrow
Choice
69c

5³/₄ c yd.
for
10c
chambrays

Fast colors, and washable!
These chambrays are the best
sort of material for the mak-
ing of house dresses of chil-
dren's play dresses and boys'
2-piece suits.

Shown in solid colors of
light blue, pink, rose, gray,
tan, green, and nursery blue.
The regular 10c grade, of-
fered Monday at, a yard, 54c.

Bargain Tables
First Floor—

Bleached
Sheets,
81 by
90-in.
Usual 75c
Kinds
Tomorrow
Choice
59c

Attractive bargains in
Laces and
Embroideries

Positively greater values than
ever presented in same kind of
goods in Washington. And all are
the wanted kinds of seasonable
goods.

First extraordinary item
Swiss embroidered
shirt waist fronting
\$1.35 yard

Choice of 68 different patterns
Worth \$1.75 to \$3.00 a yard

These are extremely fine goods and the patterns are
exquisite. The values offered are considerably greater
than we have been able to present before this
season. These Frontings are 30 inches wide and so
designed as to leave ample space for tuckings. This
lot contains 68 different patterns—30 more than we
have ever had at one time before.

Second extraordinary item
3,000 doz. German and
French Val. laces
and insertions 55c doz. yds.

Choice of 2 in. wide.
Actual 75c to \$2.00 yd. qualities.
These laces are this season's best styles and in the
finest qualities, the regular selling prices ranging from
75c a dozen yards to \$2.00 a dozen. And note the widths,
3/4 to 2 inches. Insertions to match all the laces.

Third extraordinary item
45-in. wide oriental
Dress nets Embroidered
12 patterns
75c yard

In this particular class of nets never a yard has been
sold in this store under \$1.00 a yard, and several
pieces never under \$1.50 a yard. Special attention is
called to the fact that these are not the kind with
woven designs, but real genuine embroidered kinds.
White or butter color, 12 patterns.

Imitation cluny laces and
insertions

Great values. White and cream colored, 1 1/2 to 3
inches wide and all in matched sets. These
goods are the regular 80c to 20c yd. qualities. 54c
Sale price yd.....

All-over embroideries

22 inches wide. Both Swiss and Lainsook embroider-
ies. Small neat designs and the large show patterns.
Specially sell regularly at 75c and 85c a yard. 55c
Sale price yd.....

Embroidered medallions

Only 500 dozen of these! Large assortment of dif-
ferent styles which will be found to be espe-
cially desirable. Worth 10c to 20c each. Choice..... 5c

19c wash
stocks

Regular 30c goods. Real
stylish Swiss Embroidered
Stocks at this small price to-
morrow.

Choice of thirty styles, and
all are pretty. Some have long
tab, others short, and yet an-
other style is without tab.
You'll want many of such
neck pieces before the sum-
mer is over. Buy tomorrow
at 11c.

First Floor—
Bargain Tables.

China
Mattings

Regular 20c yard kind,
Very heavy and durable

15c yd

About 50 rolls left. Twelve different
patterns in checks. Colors are red, blue,
and green. These are the perfectly re-
versible mattings, and on account
of their weight are unusual bargains.
Early in the day we will be able to
supply those who want more than a
single roll of a pattern, but in some of
the best patterns we have not more
than two full rolls.

If you have mattings to buy, don't
neglect these. We shall not be able to
get any more of this brand. The 15c
price is due solely to anticipation of
months ago, and contracting before the
rise in prices. Third Floor—Floor Cover-
ing Dept.

New Persian
bandings,
23c yd

Persian Bandings are the proper
trimming for jumper suits and add so
much to the attractive appearance of
such garments. We have sold so many
of these Persian Bandings for such
tripling purposes that our supply be-
came exhausted and reinforcements
came yesterday.

Now you are offered Persian Band-
ings, light and dark colorings that
blend harmoniously at, a yard, 23c.
First Floor—Trimming Section.